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National Park Service to Hold Public Information Meeting to Announce 30-Day Public Comment Period for Draft Environmental Assessment for Jones Point Park

McLean, VA -The National Park Service (NPS) and the Federal Highway Administration are pleased to host a public information meeting to announce release of the second draft of the *Jones Point Park Environmental Assessment* and the beginning of a 30-day public comment period. The meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 27, 2007, from 7:00 p.m. –9:00 p.m. at the Lee Center, which is located at 1108 Jefferson Street in Alexandria, Virginia. No public testimony or comments will be taken at this informational meeting.

Comments relative to the Environmental Assessment (EA) are being solicited beginning June 28, 2007 through July 30, 2007 (by close-of-business at 4:15 p.m.). This is slightly longer than the required comment period of 30 calendar days due to the Independence Day holiday. The EA will be available for review at the NPS Planning, Environment & Public Comment (PEPC) website at: http://parkplanning.nps.gov/gwmp. Interested parties are urged to provide comments via the PEPC website address above or in writing to Mr. David Vela, Superintendent, George Washington Memorial Parkway, Turkey Run Park, McLean, Virginia 22101. In addition, printed copies of the EA will be made available for public review at the following locations during regular business hours.

Offices:

George Washington Memorial Parkway Headquarters Turkey Run Park McLean, VA 22101

Potomac Crossing Consultants Headquarters 2901 Eisenhower Avenue, Unit C Alexandria, VA 22314

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Libraries:

- Alexandria, Virginia: Charles E. Beatley, Jr. Central Library; Kate Waller Barrett Branch; James M. Duncan Branch; Ellen Coolidge Burke Branch
- Fairfax, Virginia: Sherwood Regional Library, Martha Washington Library, John Marshall Library
- Arlington, Virginia: Central Library
- Oxon Hill, Maryland: Oxon Hill Library

The NPS' preferred alternative (Alternative 4A) features an access road that connects to a new cul-de-sac at the south end of Royal Street and extends eastward to a 110-space parking area. The alternative also features a vehicular turnaround located just west of the Potomac River. The cul-de-sac, perimeter barrier system, and landscape plantings to be located just south of the turnaround would be similar to Alternative 4. A tot-lot and an 80 x 40 yard multi-use field oriented east/west would be located north of the parking area. A 110 x 60 yard multi-use field oriented northwest/southeast would be located south of the Woodrow Wilson Bridge in a similar location as the existing field. Alternative 4A contains items common to the other action alternatives released in the first draft EA. This alternative modifies selected elements.

For more information, visit http://parkplanning.nps.gov/gwmp or contact the George Washington Memorial Parkway at 703-289-2500 or in writing to the Superintendent, George Washington Memorial Parkway, c/o Turkey Run Park, McLean, VA 22101.